



# Iowa Council on Agricultural Education



## Meeting Minutes January 22, 2018

The meeting of the Iowa Council on Agricultural Education was called to order by chair, Will Fett, at 1:22pm on Monday, January 22, 2018 in the main conference room at the FFA Enrichment Center in Ankeny, Iowa.

### Present:

Members: Will Fett, Mike Retallick, Melanie Bloom (via phone), Kevin Blair (via phone), Kent Klemme (by phone), Larry Marek (by phone).

Ex officio members: Pradeep Kotamraju, IDOE; Zach Hamilton.

Guests: Ron Zelle, IDOE FFA consultant; Scott Johnson, Iowa FFA executive secretary

Absent: DeAnn Cooper Sindergard, Brea Harms, Caitlin Remington,

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Minutes of the November 27, 2017 meeting were read. **With no corrections, minutes were approved.**

### Reports

- January 30, 2018 will be FFA Day at the Capitol. The Iowa Council on Agricultural Education has previously been listed as a sponsor of this event. We will be listed in the printed material and a copy of our annual report will be included in the packets that students hand out.

### Unfinished Business

- Fett still working with Dept. of Labor to make agricultural education an apprenticeable occupation.

### New Business

- Awards to recognize outstanding agricultural education programs.
  - **Mike R. moved to use the same timeline, procedure, and award categories as last year. Seconded. Passed voice vote.**
  - Online award form: <https://form.jotform.com/wfett/award-excellence-in-ag-2018>
  - Johnson will post information to ag teachers in Monday email.
  - Deadline will be March 1.
  - Council will review applications by March 20.
  - Fett will compile results and contact winners. Fett will order award plaques.

- Award will be presented at state FFA leadership conference. 3<sup>rd</sup> general session, 1pm, April 23, 2018 in Hilton Coliseum, Ames, Iowa.
- Discussion of Agriculture Education Content Standards. Teachers are in the process of aligning their curriculum to content standards.
  - Some schools are aligning to the AFNR standards produced by the National Council for Agricultural Education:  
[https://www.ffa.org/SiteCollectionDocuments/council\\_afnr\\_career\\_cluster\\_content\\_standards.pdf](https://www.ffa.org/SiteCollectionDocuments/council_afnr_career_cluster_content_standards.pdf)
  - These are the most detailed.
  - They have been cross walked with the Common Career Technical Core standards.
  - Pradeep indicated that if adopted by the Council, the Dept. of Ed would likely use our recommendation and adopt these standards for the career and technical education standards as required by the recent legislation.
  - **Kevin B. moved to adopt the Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Career Cluster Content Standards developed by the National Council for Agricultural Education as the recommended document for Iowa agricultural education programs. Seconded. Roll call vote. Motion passed 6 in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.**
  - Fett will draft a news release. Johnson will include this in the Monday email to ag teachers.

**The meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm when we lost power, internet, and phone service.**

Next regular meeting will be March 26, 2018 at 1:00pm.